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Applicant(s): Chun He, et al
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Response to First Office Action

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 07/28/2004, the Applicants respectfully request the Examiner, before reconsidering the pending claims, to enter the following amendments.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this Response, and

REMARKS begin on page 12 of this Response.